## MEDIA RELEASE

## PENDLETON CORRECTIONAL FACILITY FEATURED IN DISCOVERY CHANNEL DOCUMENTARY

Pendleton, Indiana- (March 3, 2009) - Indiana Department of Correction Commissioner Edwin G. Buss announces that a documentary filmed at the Pendleton Correctional Facility will be aired on the Discovery Channel on March 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 pm Eastern Time. The documentary, entitled "Hard Time," represents the culmination of a month of filming conducted at the facility in September 2008 by Towers Productions, Inc. out of Chicago. "Hard Time" features Superintendent Brett Mize and his staff amid the daily routine of managing over 1900 offenders at the maximum security facility.

According to the Discovery Channel, "For most offenders at the Pendleton Correctional Facility in Indiana, it is the beginning of a lifetime of incarceration. Fortunately, for society, the facility was designed exactly for those who end up here: the state's most violent criminals.

Commissioner Buss said, "I believe the documentary does an outstanding job in capturing the essence of life in a maximum security prison."

"This will provide a rare opportunity for the public to examine the formidable challenges correctional staff face on a daily basis to effectively manage the facility and to protect the public," added Superintendent Mize.

Additional information about the documentary can be obtained by visiting the Discovery Channel Website at <a href="https://www.discovery.com">www.discovery.com</a>. and clicking on the link that accesses the daily and weekly schedules and program descriptions.

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